# THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP AD HOC TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING AUGUST 14, 2014 MINUTES

### THE STATE OF TEXAS § COUNTIES OF HARRIS & MONTGOMERY §

The Ad Hoc Transportation Committee of The Woodlands Township Board of Directors met in regular session, open to the public, on August 14, 2014, posted to begin at 2 p.m. The committee meeting was held in a meeting room at the office of The Woodlands Township Town Hall, 2801 Technology Forest Boulevard, The Woodlands, Texas, within the boundaries of The Woodlands Township.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Chairman Jeff Long, Mike Bass, Bruce Tough

STAFF/ADVISORS: Don Norrell, President/General Manager, Monique Sharp, Assistant

General Manager for Finance and Administration, John Powers, Assistant General Manager for Community Services, Chris LaRue, Transit Planner,

Nick Wolda, President of the CVB,

**DIRECTORS ABSENT: None** 

Item 6 began prior to calling the meeting to order.

#### 6. Receive, consider and act upon an update regarding the Houston bike-share program;

Will Rub, Houston gave a presentation providing an overview of Houston Bikeshare, its history, operational statistics, financials and growth in the Houston community.

No action was taken.

#### 1. Call to Order;

Director Bass called the meeting to order at 2:27 p.m. after the late arrival of Director Tough at 2:10 p.m. Chairman Long arrived at 2:45 p.m.

#### 2. Receive, consider and act upon adoption of the meeting agenda;

**MOTION:** Motion by Director Tough to adopt the agenda; second by Chairman Bass.

VOTE: Ayes: Mike Bass

Bruce Tough

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

**ACTION:** Motion passed unanimously (2-0).

#### 3. Public comment;

There were no public comments.

Item 7 was taken out of order.

## 7. Receive, consider and act upon a report from TxDOT on the Kuykendahl roadway extension;

Richard Brown, TxDOT, provided an update on the scheduled expansion of Kuykendahl from Crown Ridge to 1488, indicating that commencement of construction is August 29<sup>th</sup>. There will be a need to arrange appropriate notification to surrounding residents and barrier construction to prevent children access to the area. Environmental inspection is complete.

## 4. Receive, consider and act upon approval of the July 10, 2014 Ad Hoc Transportation Committee meeting minutes;

**MOTION:** Motion by Director Tough to approve the minutes; second by Chairman Bass.

**VOTE:** Ayes: Mike Bass

**Bruce Tough** 

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

**ACTION:** Motion passed unanimously (2-0).

#### 5. Receive, consider and act upon outside committee and meeting updates;

- Conroe/The Woodlands Urbanized Area (UZA), meet September 9 in Conroe
- The Woodlands Township Transit Plan, PMC meets August 26 at Town Hall for final recommendations
- Chamber Mobility Committee, meet August 19

- Montgomery County Precinct 3, none
- H-GAC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), met August 13
- Bicycle Advisory Task Force, none
- South Montgomery County Mobility Study, meet September 25 for plan recommendations, public meeting at Shenandoah Municipal Complex
- The Friendship Center, buses arrive in September, budget planning underway
- Interfaith, ridership statistics update
- Brazos Transit District, Park & Ride update, ridership statistics
- Woodlands Parkway Bridge Construction, completion continues to be delayed, letter sent by TxDOT to construction company
- Township Transit Planning and Operations, discussion about Transit Center RFQ for professional design services, RFP for bus procurement; after legal review they will be taken to Township BOD
- 8. Receive, consider and act upon a briefing by The Goodman Corporation regarding extension of the Transitway by Brazos Transit District and The Woodlands Land Development Company (Categorical Exclusion);

This item was deferred after discussion of materials provided in the packet.

9. Receive, consider and act upon Texas high speed rail public comment meetings;

Miles McKinney discussed upcoming public comment meetings for the proposed high speed rail project.

10. Receive, consider and act upon a cycling poll conducted by Director Bass and its inclusion in a master bike plan;

Director Bass discussed his recent Facebook cycling poll.

- 11. The Committee recessed to Executive Session at 3:28 p.m. with counsel, staff and/or affected third parties to discuss matters relating to real property, deliberation of economic development negotiations, discuss personnel matters, consult with The Woodlands Township attorney, discuss funding alternatives and potential agreements with other local, state or federal agencies;
- 12. The Committee reconvened in public session at 4:35 p.m.

No action was taken.

15. Adjournment 4:36 p.m.	

13. Receive, consider and act upon recommended changes to the Short Term Road and

14. Consideration of items to be place on the agenda for the next committee meeting;

**Mobility Plan**;

No action was taken.

None

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